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In re Application of :
Trung Tri Doan et al :
Application No. 09/928,173 :
Filed: August 9, 2001 :
Attorney Docket No. 500084.05 :

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed August 30, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed January 29, 2004, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. A reply under 37 CFR 1.113 is limited to an amendment that *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance or a Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(b)). The reply submitted on May 28, 2004 did not *prima facie* place the application in condition for allowance as noted in the Advisory Action mailed July 26, 2004. Therefore, as no Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee), Request for Continued Examination (RCE) or a continuing application was timely filed. Extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on May 30, 2004.

37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) requires a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. If the statement contained in the instant petition varies from the language required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3), the statement contained in the instant petition is being construed as the statement required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) and petitioner must notify the Office if this is **not** a correct interpretation of the statement contained in the instant petition.

The above-identified application is being revived for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination).

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Wan Laymon at (703) 305-9282.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 3723 for processing of the request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114.

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